

Balius Brian A
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Balius Brian A

(Last) (First) (Middle)
11465 JOHNS CREEK
PARKWAY, SUITE 400
(Street)

JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SAIA INC [SAIA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/30/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP-Linehaul & Ind Engineering

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 05/01/2013 | | M | | 2,105 | A | \$ 40.6954 |
| Common Stock | 05/01/2013 | | S | | 2,105 | D | \$ 40.6954 |
| Common Stock | 05/02/2013 | | M | | 115 | A | \$ 40.65 |
| Common Stock | 05/02/2013 | | S | | 115 | D | \$ 40.65 |
| Common Stock | 05/02/2013 | | M | | 4,910 | A | \$ 40.65 |
| | | | | | | | 17,647 |
| | | | | | | | 15,542 |
| | | | | | | | 15,657 |
| | | | | | | | 15,542 |
| | | | | | | | 20,452 |

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|-------|--|------------------|---|--------------|----------------------|
| | | | | | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 40.92 | 04/30/2013 | | A | | 6,340 | | 04/30/2016 | 04/29/2020 | Common Stock | 6,340 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 26.72 | 05/01/2013 | | M | | 2,105 | | 02/02/2010 | 02/01/2014 | Common Stock | 2,105 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 26.72 | 05/02/2013 | | M | | 115 | | 02/02/2010 | 02/01/2014 | Common Stock | 115 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 14.71 | 05/02/2013 | | M | | 4,910 | | 02/01/2011 | 01/31/2015 | Common Stock | 4,910 |
| Phantom Stock | <u>(1)</u> | | | | | | | <u>(2)</u> | <u>(3)</u> | Common Stock | 9,389 <u>(1)</u> |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 11.96 | | | | | | | 02/03/2012 | 02/02/2016 | Common Stock | 4,650 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 12.1 | | | | | | | 02/02/2013 | 02/01/2017 | Common Stock | 4,650 |

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|------------------------------|----------|------------|------------|--------------|------|
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 16.39 | 05/02/2014 | 05/01/2018 | Common Stock | 4,10 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 16.5 | 02/02/2015 | 02/02/2019 | Common Stock | 6,7 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Balius Brian A 11465 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY SUITE 400 JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097 | | | VP-Linehaul & Ind Engineering | |

Signatures

/s/ Stephanie R. Maschmeier 05/02/2013

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Conversion rate of this derivative security on April 30, 2013 is 0.8234 resulting in 7,730.86 shares of common stock (underlying security in column 7).
- (2) Immediate
- (3) The shares of phantom stock become payable in the Company's stock upon reporting person's termination of service as a Director.

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